



# CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

## BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS

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Marsha Weinerman

## Minutes of the Board of Election Commissioners Meeting Thursday, March 25, 2009

A regular meeting of the Cambridge Election Commission was held at the Election Commission Office on Wednesday, March 25, 2009. The meeting was called to order at 3:30 p.m. Commissioners King; Spears; Bonislowski; and Cobb; the Executive Director; Karen Francis, Commission staff; Nancy Schlacter of the City Manager's staff; and Robert Coe, IT Project Manager for the City; were present.

### I: Minutes

Commissioner King moved and Commissioner Cobb seconded a motion that the Minutes of the meeting Board of Election Commissioners on March 12, 2009 be accepted as edited. The motion was accepted by a 4-0 vote.

### II: Reports

#### 1: Executive Director's Report [see attached]

- A: Campaign Finance Reports: The Executive Director reported that all outstanding reports have now been delivered and the candidates are in compliance.
- B: Election Action request: Commissioner Cobb volunteered to make a presentation to Election Action about the practice of running an election using Proportional Representation.
- C: Federal Census: The Complete Count Committee will begin its work in the summer of 2009. Addresses canvassing—a door to door canvassing of the entire city to assess the number of units in each building and to add those units which are new or will be completed and occupied by April of 2010—will continue through June when it is expected to be completed.

#### 2: Commissioners Reports

- A: Commissioner Spears reported that 215 Western Avenue is not a valid address.
- B: Commissioner Bonislowski reported that 263 Norfolk Street is a valid address, it is part of a 3-story residential complex including 263 and 265 Norfolk Street.

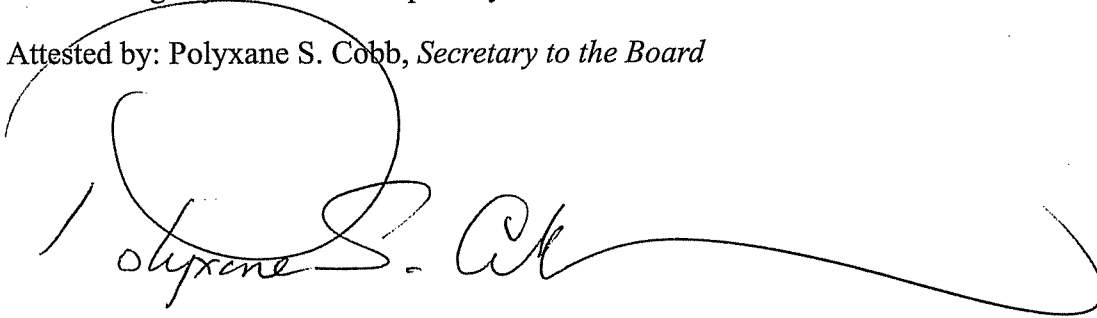
III: Action Agenda: A discussion was held of the two presentations made at the last meeting separately by Caleb Kleppner and Lee Valentine. The Executive Director will request that both provide references which she will contact before the next

meeting when it is expected that the Board will vote to make a recommendation to the City Manager.

- 1: Voter Registration Events: The Board discussed upcoming city events at which the Commission could hold registration and information events. Mayfair and Fresh Pond days were both enthusiastically supported.

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m. by consensus.

Attested by: Polyxane S. Cobb, *Secretary to the Board*

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Polyxane S. Cobb", with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.